

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

NOTICE OF PROPOSED POLICY

Public Act 280 of 1939, as amended, and consultation guidelines for Medicaid policy provide an opportunity to review proposed changes in Medicaid policies and procedures.

Please review the policy summary and the attached materials that describe the specific changes being proposed. Let us know why you support the change or oppose the change.

Submit your comments to the analyst by the due date specified. Your comments must be received by the due date to be considered for the final policy bulletin.

Thank you for participating in the consultation process.



Director, Program Policy Division
Bureau of Medicaid Policy and Actuarial Services

Project Number:	0902-Therapies	Comments Due:	April 1, 2009	Proposed Effective Date:	April 1, 2009
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Policy Subject: Change in Billing and Reimbursement Policy for Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Speech-Language Therapy

Affected Programs: Medicaid and Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS)

Distribution: Outpatient Hospitals, Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Outpatient Rehabilitative Facilities, Practitioners

Policy Summary: Amends billing and reimbursement policy to allow occupational therapy, physical therapy, and speech-language therapy providers to bill for evaluations or re-evaluations and treatment on the same date of service.

The public comment phase of this policy is being conducted concurrently with final.

Purpose: To allow therapy providers to provide both evaluation and treatment of patients on the same date of service.

Michigan Department of Community Health

Bulletin Number: MSA 09-09

Distribution: Practitioners (MDs, DOs, Nurse Practitioners, Physical Therapists), Outpatient Hospitals, Outpatient Rehabilitative Facilities, Mental Health and Substance Abuse

Issued: March 1, 2009

Subject: Change in Billing and Reimbursement Policy for Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Speech-Language Therapy

Effective: April 1, 2009

Programs Affected: Medicaid and Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS)

Effective April 1, 2009, an occupational therapy, physical therapy, or speech-language therapy provider may bill for an evaluation or re-evaluation and treatment, performed on the same date of service. Therapy must continue to be provided by the evaluating discipline.

This amends policy contained in the Billing and Reimbursement for Institutional Providers Chapter, Section 6.20 of the Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual.

Public Comment

The public comment portion of the policy promulgation process is being conducted concurrently with the implementation of the change noted in this bulletin. Any interested party wishing to comment on the change may do so by submitting comments in writing to:

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If responding by e-mail, please include "Therapy Policy" in the subject line.

Comments received will be considered for revisions to the change implemented by this bulletin.

Manual Maintenance

Retain this bulletin until the information has been incorporated into the Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual.

Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Provider Inquiry, Department of Community Health, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mail at ProviderSupport@michigan.gov. When you submit an e-mail, be sure to include your name, affiliation, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Providers may phone toll-free 1-800-292-2550.

Approved

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen Fitton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S' and 'F'.

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